

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT, AND

SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT MANUFACTURED WITH THIS METHOD

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2003, please amend the above-ed application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the "

If this paper. identified application as follows:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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